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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Bechmann et al Confirmation No: 9501

Serial No.: 09/995,321 Group Art Unit: 1743

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For: Automated Mechanical Stress Assay for Screening Cleaning Ingredients

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment for the above-identified application in response to the Office Action mailed July 1, 2004.

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Office Action be extended for a period of three months from October 1, 2004 to January 1, 2005. The required fee for the extension is estimated to be $1,020.

No additional claims fee is required.

Please charge the required extension fee, estimated to be $1,020, to Novozymes North America, Inc., Deposit Account No. 50-1701. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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